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APPLICANT: Dale Clifford, et. al.

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SERIAL NO.: 10/076,122

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**TITLE: ORTHOPEDIC IMPLANT AND METHOD
FOR ORTHOPEDIC TREATMENT**

PETITION TO REVIVE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.137(f)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
SIR:

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Applicant hereby requests that the above-identified patent application, U.S. Serial No. 10/076,122, be revived, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.137 (b), and that the status of the application be returned to pending.

On July 22, 2002, a "Notice Of Incomplete Reply" to the "Notice To File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application" was mailed by the PTO to applicant's attorney. The undersigned attorney prepared a response to comply with the "Notice of Incomplete Reply" by September 5, 2002, however, the undersigned attorney had not received payment of \$1440.00, the amount of fees required to be paid for the reply. The undersigned attorney has been trying to procure the payment for the fees associated with the reply and this petition to revive ever since September 5, 2002. Consequently, based on the above facts, any delay in filing the formal drawings in reply to the "Notice of Incomplete Reply" for application U.S. serial number 10/076,122, from the due date was unintentional and any delay was unintentional.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.137, the petition is accompanied by: (1) drawings in response to "Notice of Incomplete Reply" and (2) the petition fee under 1.17(m). The undersigned attorney

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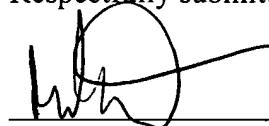
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The undersigned respectfully requests prompt attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,


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PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)		Docket Number (Optional) 6005.109
<p>First named inventor: Dale Clifford</p> <p>Application No.: 10/076,122 Art Unit: 3837</p> <p>Filed: 02/14/2002 Examiner: To Be Assigned</p> <p>Title: ORTHOPEDIC IMPLANT AND METHOD FOR ORTHOPEDIC TREATMENT</p> <p>Attention: Office of Petitions Assistant Commissioner for Patents Box DAC Washington, D.C. 20231</p> <p>NOTE: If information or assistance is needed in completing this form, please contact Petitions Information at (703) 305-9282.</p> <p>The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper reply to a notice or action by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The date of abandonment is the day after the expiration date of the period set for reply in the Office notice or action plus an extensions of time actually obtained.</p> <p>APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION</p> <p>NOTE: A grantable petition requires the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(1) Petition fee;(2) Reply and/or issue fee;(3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee --required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995; and for all design applications; and(4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional. <p>1. Petition fee</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Small entity-fee \$ _____ (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other than small entity - fee \$ <u>1280.00</u> (37 CFR 1.17(m))</p> <p>2. Reply and/or fee</p> <p>A. The reply and/or fee to the above-noted Office action in the form of _____ (identify type of reply):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> has been filed previously on _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> is enclosed herewith.</p> <p>B. The issue fee of \$ _____.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> has been paid previously on _____.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> is enclosed herewith.</p>		

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3. Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee

Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.

A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$ _____ for a small entity or \$ _____ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

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